MMODITY TARIFF ISSUED.

ESIGNED TO PROTECT KANSAS CITY JOBBERS.

Colorado Class Rates Take Another and Still More Discriminative Tumble - General News of the Railroads.

Secretary Poteet, of the Trans-Missouri freight bureau, yesterday distributed among freight men the new Colorado comnodity tariffs designed to protect Kansas City jobbers against the discriminative class rates in effect to Colorado common points from the Mississippl river and Chicago. The tariff also contains the class

cago. The tariff also contains the class rates which went into effect yesterday, and which are to be superseded by lower and more discriminative rates on the classes, as announced in The Jounnal yesterday. The new tariff specifically states that the commodity rates named therein shall apply regardless of class rates, and that all commodities taking higher than the class rates under the tariff shall be regarded as exceptions to the Western classification.

The tariff has not been thoroughly checked for discriminations against Kansas City jobbers as yet, but on its face appears to afford considerable protection to this city. The heavier commodities, which would more or less naturally take the water-sad-rail in preference to the all-rail route from the Atlantic seaboard to Colorado, are to be carried by the Trans-Missouri lines at rates which discriminate against Kansas City, but apparently a large part of Kansas City's business to Colorado is protected under the new tariff. The Rock Island was the only road having any definite information regarding the last reductions in Colorado class rates yesterday afternoon, and it was stated at the office of that road that the date on which they are to become effective had not yet been set. It is thought it will be upon legal notice to the interstate commerce commission. In this case they will go into effect

been set. It is thought it will be upon legal notice to the interstate commerce commission. In this case they will go into effect via some roads to-morrow.

These rates increase the discrimination against Kansas City, extending it to the first and second classes, on which the differential had heretofore been preserved. The new rates from Chicago, the Missispipi river and the Missouri river to Colorado common points are as follows:

From Chicago—Class 1, \$1.63; class 2, \$2 cents; class 3, \$5; class 4, \$2; class 5, \$27; class A, \$32; class B, \$27½; classes C, D and E, \$5.

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Prom St. Louis—Class 1, 83 cents; class 2, ; class 3, 35, class 4, 27; class 5, 22; class A, 4; classes B, C, D and E, 20.

Prom Kansas City—Class 1, 43 cents; class 37; classes 4 and 5, 25; classes A, B, C, D

St. Louis, Nov. 24.—Mr. S. H. H. Clark, one of the receivers of the Union Pacific railroad, returned to St. Louis to-day after a stay in New York city of about three weeks, to confer with the other receivers and the reorganization committee of the syndicate that bid in the great railroad property at the government's sale.

Since the bidding in of the road it has generally been believed that S. H. H. Clark would head the reorganized company, and when he went to New York it was said his object was to accept the presidency of the road, although this was denied by Mr. Clark.

"I sm not at liberty to say what was done." Mr. Clark said. "Neither can I say anything about who the officers will be. In fact, I can give out nothing for publicaon just now."
"When will the new company take hold?"

was asked.
"The last payment, about \$15,000,000, is to be made December 6, and the property will be turned over to the new owners then or shortly thereafter."

Better Service on Benedict Branch. Topeka, Kas., Nov. 24.—(Special.) The state board of railroad commissioners received notice to-day that the Santa Fe had improved its train service on the Benedict branch from Emporia to Chanute by putting on an extra train. This was done in an extra train. This was done in response to a request made by the board to improve the service. The board to-day heard the evidence on the complaint against the Missouri Pacific for refusing to keep an operator at Elyria. The company claimed that an operator at that point would be a dead expense as there were not a dozen telegrams sent from there a year. The board took the case under advisement.

Trains to the South Resumed.

Information comes from the passenger department of the Louisville & Nashville railroad company, that all their trains have been resumed and schedules restored. These include a double daily solid train service from Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis, to Nashville, Memphis, Birmingham, Mendgomery, Mobile, Pensacola and New Orleans. Also a Gouble daily service of Pullman buffet-sleeping cars from the Northern cities to Jacksonville, Fla.

Hill, Joplin and Weir City. It has entered into an arrangement with the Missour Hill, Joplin and well that the Missouri into an arrangement with the Missouri Pacific to put in the gates providing the board will permit it. Chairman Dillard said to-day that he had no objections whatever, and he did not think the other members had. He believed the gate system

Santa Fe After Klondike Traffic Santa Fe After Klondike Traffic.

Topeka, Kas., Nov. 24.—(Special.) The Santa Fe company has established a new agency at Portland, Ore., and the appointment of J. J. Devereaux as general agent is announced by General Passenger Agent Black. Probable heavy travel to the Klondike in the spring is responsible for the establishment of the new agency.

William Smith, commercial agent as Trinidad. Col., will, on December 1, be transferred to the position of commercial agent at Pueblo, and H. K. King, now local agent at Pueblo, will be given the agency at Trinidad.

Baltimore & Ohio Earnings.

Baltimore, Nov. 24.—The gross earnings of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for the month of October, 1897, were \$2,565,107, a decreese of \$6,639. The increase in act carmings was \$256,079. For the four months of the fiscal year ending October, 1897, the gross carnings were \$9,47,178, an increase of \$56,346. The net earnings increased \$360,516.

Railroad Notes.

All the railroad offices will close at noon The Kansas university football team will arrive from Lawrence this morning over the Union Pacific.

E. E. Nance, city passenger agent of the Chicago Great Western, accompanied by Mrs. Nance, left yesterday for Des Moines, Ia., where they will spend Thanksgiving

Notice has been given by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas that it will make a one fare plus \$2 rate for the fruit and flower festival at Houston, Tex., waich begins December 2. Other roads will meet the

Passenger officials of the Alton road announce that their new through train service to the Pacific coast in connection with the Sunset Limited of the Southern Pacific is proving such a success that it will be made permanent.

Mr. George H. Smith, assistant general passenger agent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, has resigned to accept the appointment of general passenger agent of the New Orleans & Northeastern, with headquarters at New Orleans.

The Pittsburg & Gulf vesterday appounds

The Pittsburg & Gulf yesterday announced that it would make one-fare for the round trip trates for the holidays between all rodnts on its system. This has been a custom of Southern roads and the Pittsburg & Gulf has extended the application of one fare rates to Kansas City. Most Western lines will make rates of one and one-third fare for the round trip.

Prom Kansas City—Class I, 43 cents; class 2, 37; classes 4 and 5, 25; classes A, B, C, D and E, 15.

St. Louis' differential under Chicago is preserved on every class; Kansas City's differential under St. Louis and Chicago is not preserved on any class. The discrimination is 30 cents on first class; 20 cents on second class; 25 cents on class A; 16½ cents on class B; 12 cents on class C; 6½ cents on class B; 12 cents on class E. On fifth class; 15 cents on class E. On fifth class; 15 cents on class E. On fifth class is the rate from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly to the same points. On classes 4, 5 and A, the rates from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly the same as the rates from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly the same as the rates from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly the same as the rates from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly the same as the rates from St. Louis to Colorado are exactly the same as the rates from St. Louis to Colorado is but ½ cent higher than the rate from St. Louis to Kansas City on class B.

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will. 31 per cent, and J. A. R. Elliott, of Kansas City, third, his average being 30½ per cent.

Gilbert was not himself, and shot in poor form. Grimm, Budd, Bartlett and the rest of the cracks shot fairly well, but they cculd not touch the leaders.

The St. Louis men showed up poorly. Billy Nold went to pieces. Dr. Smith was in poor form at the targets, but redeemed himself in the live bird match with Fanning. Peter M. Kling, the wealthy North St. Louis manufacturer, got in with both feet in the last 25 target race, knocking over 22. This was the event in which Helkes scored 25 straight. Gilbert, Budd, Grimm and Faurote scored 23.

John J. Sumpter, of Hot Springs, arrived to-day and commenced shooting at once. Mr. Sumpter announces that Hot Springs will give a big shoot next February with \$2,000 added money. All the stars will probably take it in. Tom Marshall, winner of the Grand American handicap this year, is expected down from Keithesburg, Ill., to shoot in the big twenty-five live bird race to-morrow, the last day.

CHARITY WORK PAYS HIM. Manage Chicago's Associated Charities.

Chicago, Nov. 24.-Ernest P. Bicknell, o pany claimed that an operator at that point would be a dead expense as there were not a dozen telegrams sent from there a year. The board took the case under advisement.

May Extend to Gold Fields.

Chicago, Nov. 24.—The action of the directors of the Duluth & Iron Range railroad, who met here to-day, in voting to increase the capital stock from \$5.000,000 to 210,000,000 is believed by some to indicate a purpose on the part of John D. Rockefeller to embark in the enterprise of developing the Rainy Lake gold regions, on the American and Canadian border. A part of this increase, it is said, will be devoted to an extension of the road northward to these regions. The directors were inclined to deny that any such move was contemplated, although they admitted that the officers of the matter of building such an extension.

Trains to the South Resumed. Indianapolis, has resigned the secretary

STRICTER BAN ON WHISKY. Possession of Liquor in the Indian Territory to Be Followed by

Prosecution. Muskogee, I. T., Nov. 24.—(Special.) Judge Springer and Indian Agent Wisdom, of this place, have issued the most sweeping orders ever given out regarding the liquor derive our regarding the liquor traffic in the Indian Territory. Agent Wisdom has directed his Indian police to arrest dom has directed his Indian police to arrest all persons found with liquor in their possession, or who are in an intoxicated condition, and turn them over to the United states marshals. Judge Springer has ruled that all persons brought before him, who are found in possession of intoxicating little tits crossings at Pleasanton, Pleasant



LUCK TOKENS WORN AS CHATELAINES.

W. G. PECKHAM, GOTHAM LAWYER WHO WINS BIG SUITS.



William G. Peckham, who is going to Chicago to assist in presenting the claims of the property owners for damages due to the construction of the Union loop, is one of the most celebrated judgment lawyers in New York. He has won verdicts involving more than \$3,000,000 against the elevated roads there, and he is regarded as one of the most expert attorneys in the country in suits of this kind. He was born in Newport in 1849. His family has been known in the history of the East since 1640. There have been many good lawyers among the later members of the race, Judge William Peckham having been one of the most celebrated worthies of Narrangansett. The man who is going to Chicago entered Harvard at the age of 14, being the youngest student on the rolls for years, and graduating in 1867. He strongest friends of former President Cleveland.

required to prove from whom they pur-chased the liquor, under penalty of being declared in contempt of court if they refuse to do so. NICARAGUA CANAL.

ruiser Newport Ready to Carry the United States Expedition to

New York, Nov. 24.-With everything in navy yard, awaiting orders to sail with the members of the Nicaragua canal comthe members of the Nicaragua canal commission recently appointed by congress. The commission is composed of Rear Admiral John G. Walker, U. S. N., as president: Colonel Peter C. Haines, corps of engineers, U. S. A., and Professor Lewis M. Haupt, civil engineer. With them will go about fifty surveyors, engineers and other employes as members of the expedition. The commission will report on the feasibility of the proposed canal, its probable cost and cost of maintenance, and the most desirable route. The vessel will proceed direct to Greytown, from whence Ran Admiral Walker will proceed at once to Managua and pay his respects to President Zelaya. The expedition will remain until March next.

Independent of the canal commission work, a general survey will be made of the harbor of Greytown and another of the San Juan river, which is undergoing constant changes.

WILDWOOD IN A BIG CITY.

WILDWOOD IN A BIG CITY Judge Kohlanat Asks Chicago Park Board to Create a Tangled

in Washington.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 24.-The French and Relgian glass workers at Arnold, Pa., near here, met last night and decided to go to Washington and join Debs' Social Democracy colony. On March 10. next,

TO SETTLE THE STRIKE.

Parties to the Great Engineering Struggle in London Meet

in Conference. London, Nov. 24.—There is widespread inseph Montaigne, St. Louis; Ezra C. Conterest in the conference between the repner, Memphis; Frantz Schmidt, St. Louis; resentatives of the employers and the delegard. November 12, Robert K. Douglas, gates of the striking engineers, which compared to the striking engineers, which compared to the striking engineers. menced this morning behind closed doors, after many weeks of negotiations. The discussions are expected to be prolonged and it is hoped some satisfactory understanding will be arrived at, in view of the great injury the strike has inflicted upon the engineering trades of Great Britain.

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Indiana Miners Strike.

Terre Haute, Ind., Nov. 24.—About 500 oal miners at Hymera and Star City have gone on a strike occause the companies refused to put in inch and a half screens instead of three-inch screens. State President Knight, of the miners' organization, has taken a hand. He says the strike will be a hard one, and that all the miners in Indiana may again lay down their tools.

New York Laborers Strike.

New York Nov. 24.—Two thousand men employed in laying the tracks of the underground trolley line in Second avenue, struck to-day. Reserves from two police stations were called out to suppress what threatened to be a riot. The cause of the strike is said to be the failure of the contractors to pay the men their money at the conclusion of each week.

Illinois Strike Settled. Joliet. Ill., Nov. 24.—The conference here between the Northern Illinois striking coal miners and the operators has resulted in mutual concessions. The scale of prices was adjusted satisfactorily. All the shafts where the gross weight plan is agreed upon will probably be started up this week.

Titles was fully demonstrated.

Applied Reason.

"There are things in this world more valuable than money, my son."

I know it. That's the reason I want money to buy them with."

MILITARY WEDDING AT PAOLA

Plattsburg Barracks, Married to Miss Maude Miller.

Paola, Kas., Nov. 24.-(Special.) Miss Maude Miller, of Paola, and Lieutenant Charles Crawford, of the Twenty-first United States infantry, were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. H. A. Cooper, at the New York, Nov. 24.—With everything in readiness, the United States cruiser Newport, Captain B. F. Tilley in command, is lying off dry dock No. 2 at the Brooklyn navy yard, awaiting orders to sail with the members of the Nicaragua canal commed with pearl, and carried bride

Butler, Mo., Nov. 24.—(Special.) Edwin 8. Austin, managing editor of the Spring-field, Mo., Republican, and Miss Alpha Col-yer, of this city, were married at 7 o'clock Chicago, Nov. 24.—Forty acres of Garfield park, north of Lake street, will be used to cultivate a wild wood, resembling an old English preserve, if the suggestion made

English preserve, if the suggestion made by Judge Kohlsaat to the West park board yesterday is carried out.

The judge would have the spot cultivated into a tangled forest of giant oaks, hickory, walnut, beech, elm and maple trees, and wild cherry and thorn apple. He would have hazel bushes and wild grape vines and the woodbine and the bitterswect.

All the wild flowers indigenous to this locality would be allowed to flourish. Forest birds would be there. Rabbits, squirriels, woodchucks, and other small anhals would be placed in the woods, and a wire fence would keep them in.

Chicago, according to the judge, needs such a refreshing retreat, where a phase of animal and vegetable life unknown to many city children may be provided for them, and where men and women whose boyhood and girlhood were spent in the country many revive fragrant memories, Then, too, it would be a foil for the exity and a dissolution of the boule, especially as the leaders of the various political groups seemed to agree that the present citing activity of the nearby speeding and cycle tracks.

WILL TRY THE DEBS SCHEME.

Pennsylvania Glass Workers Decide to Join the Proposed Colony

RARNIIM'S SHOW IN ENGLAND.

BARNUM'S SHOW IN ENGLAND. The Great Menagerie Arrives at Gravesend Minus the Giraffe

and Four Horses. Democracy colony. On March 10, next, eighty-four men will leave, and about a month later the entire colony of nearly 600 persons will follow.

The workmen complain that here in the East the glass industry is so uncertain and the market so fluctuating, that they are only working about half the year, and so average no better wages than they made in the old country. On the Western coast they think they would have an absolutely new field, and the materials for glass manufacture abound there. The glass workers all have some money, each of them having saved up from \$200 to \$2,000, and it is the famous trick animal, also succumbed. A special train carrying nearly one hundred London newspaper reporters and artists went from London to view the landing. London, Nov. 24.-The Atlantic Trans-

PENSIONS.

Washington, Nov. 24.-The following pen sions have been granted:

MISSOURI. Original-Oscar Phillips, Brookline. Increase-Henry H. Knight, Ardeola; Jo-

S. Davis, Fort Scott; William R. Anderson, Gardner.
Increase—Tilghman H. Pitts, Farlinsville; William Seymcar, Hutchinson; Barnett Rogers, Eldorado.
Original, widows, etc.—Catharine M. Gerkin, Block; Sarah Frame, Kansas City; Rebecca Robinson, Arkansas City; minors of Beniah N. White, Fort Scott.
Mexican war widow—Sarah White, Wanego.
OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

OKLAHOMA TERRITORY. ease—Jacob N. Williams, Tecumseh, Increase

An Electric Stone.

From the Denver Times.

J. G. Kelley, of Denver, possesses a stone J. G. Kelley, of Denver, possesses a stone that has a great many peculiar properties. It was taken from a mine in Utah about two years ago and resembles a plece of agatized wood, but when taken in a dark room and a plece of steel drawn lightly over its surface it emits a streak of fire exactly similar to that resulting from the contact of two live wires. An examination was made of it by Mr. Campbell, the electrician, and it was found that the stone responded to every electric test, and the presence in it of electricity in large quantities was fully demonstrated.

CALIFORNIA POKER STORY.

HOW A TENDERFOOT WON A FOR-TUNE FROM AN EXPERT.

Mr. Hall, of Boston, and His Superh Nerve-It Was a \$10,000 Pot and Was Won on Deuces and Ten High.

The Palace hotel in the early days of its existence was the arena of some big poker games, relates the San Francisco News Letgames, relates the San Francisco News Letter. Senator Sharon was an enthusiastic lover of the game, and when it happened that Senators Stewart and Jones of Nevada and Judge Dick Mesick "occurred" in the hotel at the same time, there was sure to be hot work. It happened upon one of these occasions that a certain Mr. Hail from Boston was putting up at the hotel.

Mr. Hail was a smooth and affable gentleman, and completely won Senator Sharon's heart because of his love for Byron and his excellent memory, being able to quote hundreds of lines of the poet's verse without a hail. Byron was Sharon's favorite bard. He had made his works his life's study, and any one who appreciated him had a call on the senator's friendship. On a certain evening the three senators and Judge Mesick met at the bar. It was just before dinner, and an appetizer was in order. Even while Ned Fay was mixing, Mr. Hail appeared. He was at once bidden to the social glass by Mr. Sharon, who introduced him to his friends. One cocktail followed another, until the gentlemen concluded to dine together, and Mr. Hail was invited. They dined in Sharon's rooms, and, of course, the wine was fine and abundant. Afterdinner Mesick proposed a little game of "Graw." No one said nay, though Mr Hail diffidently remarked that they did rot play much in Boston, where he came from, but that still he was willing to stand in and do his best.

"Look out for Hail," laughed Sharon. "Look out for Hail," laughed Sharon. "Lever heard a man make that remark yet who was not to be watched." He spoke in jest, but his words were sooth.

The cards were produced, and the game at 31 ante was inaugurated. There was no limit. Now, with such veterans as Mesick, Jones and Stewart, the pot was not allowed to get cold for lack of chipping. The men played with varying success, and things ran pretty even for an hour or so. Mr. Hall was cautious, and dribbled away his checks with indifference. After one of his deals, Mr. Stewart hopped in with a \$20 bet. Jones, evidently pleased with his han ter Sepator Sharon was an enthusiastic lover of the game, and when it happened that Senators Stewart and Jones of Nevada

"Mr. Hail," said Sharon, "I feel sure you hold the better hand, and I do not care to waste my money. The pot is yours, sir."
Without any appearance of exultation Hall raked in the coin, bills and checks, separating them, and put them in his pockets, Meanwhile his hand lay, face down, upon the table.

Meanwhile his half and, "I will give you the table.

"Mr. Hall," said Sharon, "I will give you 100 if you will show me your hand."
"Senator Sharon," replied the Bostonian, "it is not enough. Nor would I show it to you now for \$1,000. Still, to satisfy your curlosity, I will put this hand in an envelone, seal it up in your presence, and put it ope, seal it up in your presence, and put it in the hotel safe, to be called for by you ten days hence. But upon this condition: That you will put \$250 in an envelope to go into the hotel safe, and to be delivered to me nine days hence."

Sharon reflected for a few minutes, It was a struggle between curiosity and coin.

sharon reflected for a few minutes. It was a struggle between curiosity and coin. Finally curiosity conquered, and both envelopes were sealed and entrusted to the custody of the clerk. When the ten days elapsed Mr. Sharon called for his package and eagerly examined the hand. Nothing but a pair of deuces and ten high. He had been the victim of a colossal bluff.

GERMAN WARSHIP TO HAYTI. The Cause of the Trouble Between

The government of Hayti has got into The government of Hayti has got into serious difficulty with Germany, and from which, apparently, it can only extricate itself by ample apology and the payment of a heavy indemnity. According to the latest dispatches, a German warship is even now under orders to sail for Fort au Prince to enforce a demand for the one and collect the other. From the evidence thus far received it seems the difficulty arose from what appears to have been a high-handled outrage by the Haytien authorities on Herr Lueders, a German subject. According to the version of Count



T. SIMON SAM, President of Hayti, Who Has Been Served With an Ultimatum by Germany, Which Will Be Backed By a Warship.

Schwerin, the German minister, Lueders was arrested on a charge of resisting a policeman, who had unlawfully entered his house, and was fined #8 and sentenced to a month's imprisonment. Lueders denied the charge of assault and demanded another trial, but, notwithstanding that witnesses testified to the defendant's innocence, he was again convicted, and this time sentenced to a fine of \$500 and one year's imprisonment. Then the minister demanded from President Sam Lueder's release and a heavy indemnity for each day of his confinement in prison. For several days the demand for the man's release was refused, and when it was finally granted further complications arose through the natives threatening to lynch Lueders and mob the German legation, and this feature became so serious that Lueders had to be hurried out of the country.

It is more than probable that when the war vessel arrives at Port au Prince, President Sam will adopt a pacific tone and quickly grant all that Germany demands. Schwerin, the German minister, Lueders

FLASHES OF FUN.

No wonder the ocean waves get angry when the wind is continually blowing them up.—Chicago News. when the wind is continually blowing them up.—Chicago News.

It is wonderful how easy a person can go to sleep in the morning after it is time to get up.—Ohio State Journal.

An Insinuation—Geraldine—"I wouldn't marry you if I lived to be 100 years old." Gerald—"Well, you've got skrty years to change your mind."—Truth.

Flora (who has aspirations)—"Don't you think women can do a great deal to elevate the stage?" Ed—"It wouldn't be necessary if they'd lower their hats."—I Harper's Bazar.

A possible explanation—Mrs. Scribbler—"What did the editor say about your story, John?" Mr. Scribbler—"Why, he was delighted with it! Said he thought Kipling wrote very much after my style, but that my style was superior to his in imagery, word-painting and genius." Mrs. Scribbler—"Well, no—he—er—said he was obliged to reject it on account of lack of space; but, to tell you the truth, I think he must be down on Kipling; some mapple are, you know."—Puck

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A MYSTERIOUS FIGURE.

Excitement Among the Church Peo ple of Scranton,

There is much excitement among the church people of Scranton, Pa., over the appearance of the figure of the Madonna appearance of the figure of the Madonna on the east wall of St. John's Catholic church, which represents the taking of Christ from the cross, The figure of the Virgin appears to stand out from the wall when viewed from a short distance, but when the observer comes closer the relief figure gives way to a very distinct outline on the wall. A young woman noticel the apparition first Sunday night at her Gevotloas, but paid no attention to it, mistaking it for a shadow, but several hundred saw it while attending the 7 o'clock mass and the attention of Rev. Father Melley, the pastor, was called to it. He made an examination and felt inclined at first to discredit the belief in anything of a supernatural nature, but finally was obliged to concede that it was a decidedly peculiar matter, and he is impressed with the belief that the image is that of the Virgin.

Devout Catholics from all sections of the

city and surrounding towns flocked to the church, and so dense did the crowd become that it was necessary to call on the police to keep them from blockading the entrance to the church.

The figure represents the head and shoulders of the Virgin, with head slightly elevered.

vated and even the most incredulous are inclined to believe that it resembles the upper portion of Murillo's great painting of the Madonna. The excitement and reigious fervor have reached such extren that many ailing persons visited the church to-day in the hope of being relieved. St. John's church is a wooden structure, built

city inhabited chiefly by steel workers BEGGAR REVELS IN LUXURY.

John Wadleigh Has Earned the Title of King Among His Kind. From the San Francisco Call.

John Wadleigh, better known as the "king of beggars," has returned to this city after an absence of over a year. He arrived a few days ago with his wife and family to seek pastures new among the charitably inclined, but as his true charcharitably inclined, but as his true character is well known he may not reap the amount he did on his last visit. Wadleigh and his wife have been in the habit of traveling from place to place and by their plausible tales of want and suffering have succeeded in gaining a living without much exertion. The title of king was given to him by his class, owing to his great ability as a beggar. It is said by those who know him his earnings on his last visit amounted to nearly \$200 a month.

The "king" is in the habit of occupying nicely furnished flats and enjoying the comforts of home life. At his leisure he follows the races with varying success, and is also addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors. His wife, Irene, is a little woman, with a sweet face, and has an air of worldly ignorance about her which leads people to listen to her story, and often moves them to assist her. It is her scheme to obtain donations of furniture, bedding, provisions, etc., from as many people as she can and then dispose of the same at

to obtain donations of furniture, bedding, provisions, etc., from as many people as she can, and then dispose of the same at the highest price she can receive for cash. The last time these unworthy alms-seekers were here they played on the sympathies of the various charitable organizations with great success until they were shown to be impostors.

Browning and the Athenseum Club.

Calling upon Robert Browning at the Athenaeum Club, then as now, says Colonel Higginson. In the December Atlantic, the headquarters of intellectural pursuits in London, and of which it used to be said that no man could have any question to ask that he could not find somebody to answer, that very afternoon, between 5 and 5 o'clock at that club. . . . it seemed strange to ask a page to find Mr. Browning for me, and it reminded me of the time when the little daughter of a certain poetess quietly asked at a dinner table, between two bites of an apple. "Mamma, dld I ever see Mr. Shakespeare?" The page spoke to a rather short and strongly built man who sat in a window and who jumped up and grasped my hand so cordially that it might have suggested the remark of Madame Navarro (Mary Anderson) about him—made, however, at a later day—that he dld not seem like a poet, but rather "like one of our agreeable Southern gentlemen." He seemed a man of every day, or like the typical poet of his own "How It Strikes a Contemporary." In all this he was, as will be seen later, the very antipodes of Tennyson, He had a large head of German shape, broadening behind, with light and thick gray hair and whitish beard, and had blue eyes, and the most kindly heart.

Some Speed About 14.

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